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APPLICANT: Bezek et al. § GROUP ART UNIT: 1772  
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INVENTION: Plastic Container Barrier § EXAMINER: Nordmeyer, Patricia L.  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Applicant does not believe that any fees are due and owing at this time; however, the Examiner is hereby authorized to charge any present or future insufficient payments, or credit any present or future overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0392.

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 30, 2002, please accept the following arguments and amendments in support of patentability for the above-identified application:

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